Types of Communities







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The Big Idea

The three main types of communities are urban, suburban, and rural.

Skills at a Glance

Monitor-Reading:
- Stop, think, and write

Comprehension:
- Compare and contrast

Phonics:
- Variant vowel /ar/ (apartments, are, cars, farms, large)

Fluency:
- Read commas

Content Vocabulary:
- buildings, buses, city, community, farms, ranches, shopping malls, suburban, subways, trains, urban, villages

Grammar, Word Study, and Language Development:
- Use adjectives (fewer, large, many, most, small, some)
- Use homonyms (banks, drive, place, stores, type)

Sentence Patterns:
- A(n) _____ has _____.
- Many people _____.

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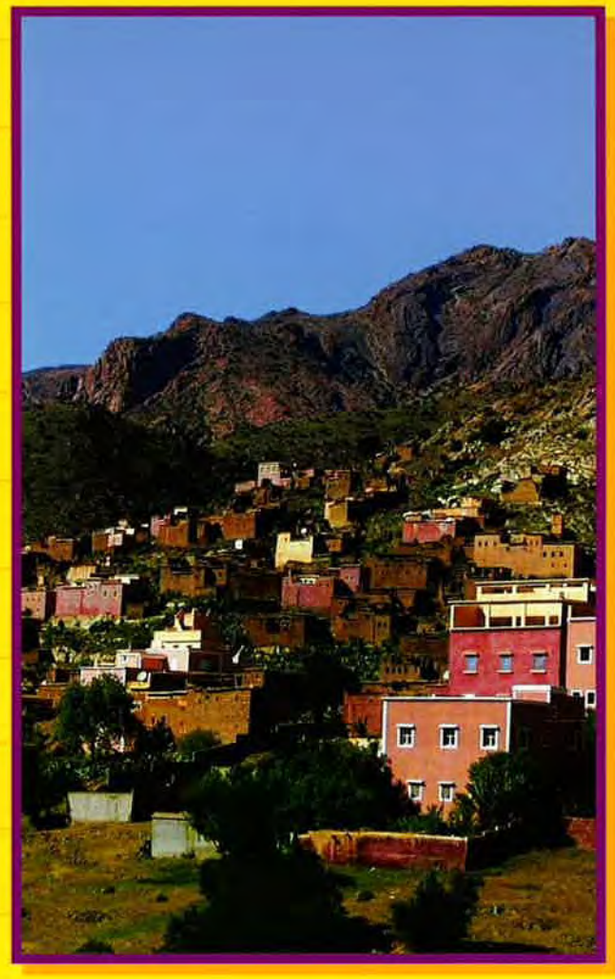
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What are three types of communities?



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I need to know these words.

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ranch



rural community



shopping mall



suburban community



subway



urban community



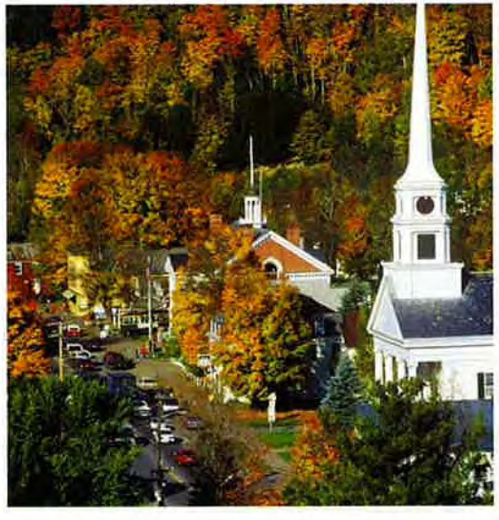
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What Is a Community?

A community is a place where people live and work. People have fun in communities, too. A community also has things people need.

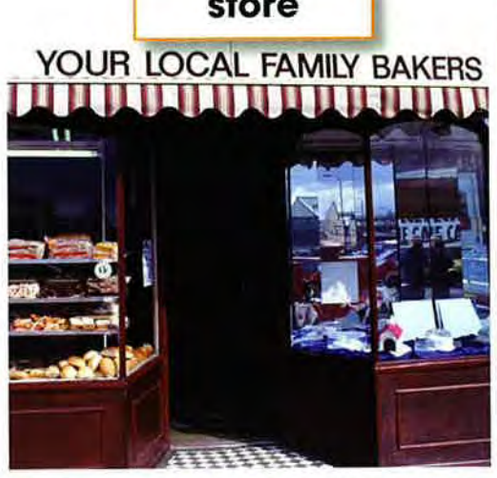




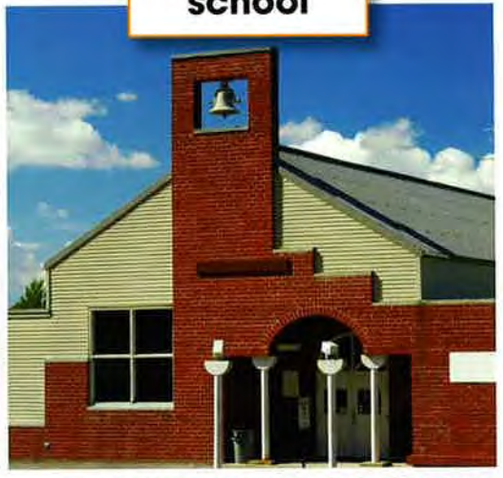


▲ All communities are alike in some ways.
All communities are different in some ways.

A community has buildings. Stores are in most communities. Many communities have schools, fire stations, and banks.



store



school



fire station



bank

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What Is an Urban Community?

An **urban community** is in a large city. An urban community has many people. The people come from different places.



◀ An urban community is the largest type of community.



▲ Tokyo, Japan, is one of the world's largest urban communities.

An urban community has many tall buildings. Some of the buildings have apartments, or homes. People live in the apartments. Some people work in tall buildings, too.



▲ Many urban communities have skyscrapers.

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An urban community has many stores. The stores have things people need and want. People go to large stores. People also go to small stores. People buy food and clothes in some stores. Some people buy books and other things.



◀ Many people buy things in small stores.



▲ This large store sells many things people need and want.

Many urban communities have trains, buses, and **subways**. People can travel on the trains, buses, and subways.





